(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any uniformity has been evolved in this regard;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if not by when this will be done ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE (Km. SELJA) : (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by UGC. The Chairman, UGC, while speaking in the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 20-12-93 at Delhi University, made a mention about the desirability of having uniform curricula for the various courses in the universities.

(c) and (d) The Curriculum Development Centres (CDCs), established by the Commission in different universities, have prepared model curricula in 27 different subjects. The Reports prepared by these Curriculum Development Centres have since been circulated by UGC to all universities for adoption with or without modifications. As universities are academically autonomous, it is for them to adopt/adapt the model curricula depending upon the local requirements.

(e) Does not arise.

Migrant students of Jammu and Kashmir

1668. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the fact that a number of migrant students seeking admission to camp colleges by the J & K Government have registered a significant decline over the last three years and are suffering heavily on the education front in the State;

(b) whether it is a fact that the displaced students have been tied to a University which is 300 kms away from their place of study;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the normal academic session of eight to nine months is prolonged to 15 months or more and the gap between the examinations and the declaration of results is unduly long; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and what steps have been taken by Government in the matter ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE (Km. SELJA) : (a) to (d) While no decline ovef the last three years has been reported to the Government, it is a fact that the final examinations of college students living in different camp Colleges in Jammu scheduled in March-April, 1992 were postponed till September, 92. J & K Goveriment have informed that the declaration of results in a number of cases has been delayed. UGC has been advised to take up the issue with the Kashmir University and the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

The Government of J & K have informed that the Kashmir University had a sub-Registry in Jammu for looking after camp classes and matters pertaining to migrant teachers of the University. It has been recently upgraded by posting one Deputy Registrar and one Deputy Controller of Examinations with supporting staff. An Officer has been appointed to coordinate camp classes for post-graduate students to whom the students can approach for difficulties, faced if any. J & K Government has also requested Kashmir University to expedite declaration of results.

Secularising on children's money

1669. SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI :

SHRI KAILASH NARAIN SARANG :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the news item that appeared in the Pioneer on 20th Jan. 1994 Captioned "Secularising on Children's money"; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTERY IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURC

DEVELOPMENT DEPTT. OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE (KUM. SELJA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The posters referred to in the press report have been sent to all 18 Regional Offices of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan for distribution to the Vidyalayas in the respective regions for display at prominent places in the Vidyalayas.

Memoranda from KVS Employees Association

1670. SHRI MISA R. GANESAN :
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government has received any memoranda from or on behalf of Joint Action Committee of KVS Associations of Employees recently;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE (KUM. SELJA (a) Yes, Sir

(b) and (c) The Joint Action Committee which includes some office bearers of recognised associations gave a list of 25 demands. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan discussed these demands with the representatives and explained the position in regard to each demand. 16 demands are accepted by the KVS, and 6 are not accepted in view of the policy framework available for KVS. 3 demands require further examination.

Grading of Colleges and Universities

1671. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Govt. has cleared the UGC proposal to set up a accreditation council to evaluate and grade departments of colleges, universities etc. in the country to help students in selecting the college they want to join;

(b) if so, whether the Commission has implemented this order;

(c) if so, whether all the universities have been communicated this decision; and

(d) if so, whether all the universities are likely to adopt this procedure during the current academic year?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE (KM. SELJA) : (a) and (b) The Government has agreed, in principle, to the setting up of a National Accreditation Council by the UGC under Section 12 (ccc) of the UGC Act. The UGC has informed that a High Level Committee has been appointed to draft the Memorandum of Association (MOA) of the proposed council for registration under the Societies Registration Act.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Age Limit for the Post of Principal in KVS

1672. SHRI MISA R. GANESAN :
SHRI J.S. RAJU :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that many applicants to the post of Principal for Kendriya Vidyalayas, advertised in September or so in 1993, who had crossed the age of 50 years were not called for interview as they had been overaged;

(b) if so, whether these included those who were serving in Kendriya Vidalayas at the time they applied for the post;

(c) if so, whether the provision of relaxation in age for Central Government and Kendriya Vidayalaya Sangathan employees has since been revoked; and

(d) if so, when and at the instance of which Authority/Officer of KVS; and if not the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DEPTT OF EDUCATION & DEPTT. OF CULTURE (KUM. SELJA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.